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REMARKS

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1. [redacted] on 10 August 1953, 6 x 57-mm AA guns and 20 trucks [redacted] were entrained at the Weimar freight station, leaving toward east. [redacted] on 10 August, 6 x 57-mm AA guns and 16 trucks [redacted] were entrained at the Weimar freight station. The train left toward east. [redacted] the troops came from the Flak Kaserne, which had been occupied by troops which arrived from Nohra on 7 August. On 10 August, [redacted] the eight 57-mm AA guns which had arrived at the Nohra airfield on 4 July and had been emplaced near the positions of the heavy AA guns previously stationed there, were no longer there. On 10 August [redacted] another shipment of guns and truck [redacted] also proceeded toward east. [redacted] was not able to determine, where the train had come from. 1

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2. [redacted] on 22 July, about 20 T-43 tanks, [redacted] and several BA-64 armored scout cars, [redacted] were entrained at the Justerbog railroad station. 2

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3. On 5 August, about five T-43 tanks, [redacted] were entrained at the Wittenberg railroad station. The trains observed had no engines. 3

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4. On 30 July, 12 x 76-mm AA guns and about 15 to 18 trucks [redacted] were entrained in Justerbog-Altes Lager. 4

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5. On 7 August, [redacted] observed a shipment of 9 trucks, [redacted] and another 10 trucks carrying boxes and billeting equipment, [redacted] and 2 boxcars occupied by troops at the Cottbus freight station. 4

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6. [redacted] on 10 August, a train of 52 closed boxcars without engine, escorted by 12 soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets, was seen at the Cottbus freight station.

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- 25X1 1. [] Comment. [] on 7 August, observed the unloading of an AAA shipment, presumably of the 13th AAA Div, at the Weimar freight station and the exchange of AAA units at the Nohra airfield. [] 25X1
- 25X1 [] On 10 August, the elements of the division which had been relieved in Nohra on 7 August and subsequently had entered the Flak Kaserne, were entrained, possibly for Altengrabow. It is possible that troops were relieved at the airfield as early as 4 July; however, no pertinent information has been received. [] 25X1
- [] reported only that, on this date, AAA units left Weimar toward east, presumably as a result of a relief at the airfield. [] 25X1
- [] Source probably confused the data pertaining to the caliber of the AA guns, as 57-mm AA guns have not been definitely observed in East Germany so far. The shipment observed on 10 August is rather safely believed to have involved units of the 498th AAA Regt [] of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps from Kindel [] 25X1
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- 25X1 2. [] Comment. On 22 July, a tank unit of the 7th Gds Tank Div possibly left for Letzling Heath.
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- 25X1 4. [] Comment. The AAA shipment on 30 July presumably is reported for the first time. [] on 7 August, [] loading of an AA 25X1
- 25X1 machine gun unit at the Cottbus railroad station and, on the evening of the same day, an AAA shipment passing through the station. [] 25X1
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